Claims

- 1. A filter for an air bag gas generator comprises
- a first layer formed by helically winding a wire rod having a cross-sectional area of 0.03 to 0.8mm² in such a way that a pitch angle of wire rods vertically superposed in the radial direction is symmetrical, and
- a second layer existing on the outer side of the first layer in the radial direction and formed to have a finer filter particle size than the first layer.
- 2. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to claim 1, wherein the second layer is formed from a filter material having a filter particle size of 6 to 400µm.
- 3. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the second layer is formed by using a wire rod having a smaller cross-sectional area than the wire rod that forms the first layer, and a third layer formed from a wire rod having a larger cross-sectional area than the wire rod of the second layer is further formed on the outer side thereof in the radial direction.
- 4. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to claim 3, wherein the third layer is formed by helically winding the wire rod in such a way that the pitch angle of wire rods vertically superposed in the radial direction is symmetrical.

- 5. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to claim 3 or 4, wherein at least one of the first layer and the third layer is formed by sintering.
- 6. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the intersecting angle of wire rods of the first layer vertically superposed in the radial direction is greater than 0° and not more than 90° .
- 7. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein, in the wire rod forming the first layer and helically wound and vertically superposed in the radial direction, the section vertically superposed in the radial direction and that is formed flat.
- 8. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the second layer projects from an axial end surface of a filter formed in a cylindrical shape.
- 9. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the second layer is formed from a wire rod having a wire diameter of 0.02mm to 0.7mm.
- 10. The filter for an air bag gas generator according to any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein the filter for an air bag gas generator purifies the gas generated by the combustion of a solid gas generating agent having a combustion temperature of not more than 2000K.

- 11. A method for the manufacture of a cylindrical filter for an air bag gas generator, comprising the steps of: forming a first layer by helically winding a wire rod having a cross-sectional area of 0.03 to 0.8mm² in at least one reciprocating process in the axial direction of the filter to be manufactured; and forming a second layer having a finer filter particle size than the first layer on the outer side of the first layer in the radial direction.
- 12. The method for the manufacture of a filter for an air bag gas generator according to claim 11, wherein the second layer is formed from a filter material having a filter particle size 6 to $400\mu m$, and a third layer is further formed on the outer side of the second layer in the radial direction by using a wire rod having a larger cross-sectional area than the wire rod of the second layer.
- 13. The method for the manufacture of a filter for an air bag gas generator according to claim 12, wherein at least one of the first layer and third layer is sintered to be integrated.
- 14. A gas generator for an air bag in which gas is generated for inflating an air bag to restrain a passenger upon collision of a vehicle, comprising:

an ignition device as an actuation initiation device of the gas generator;

a solid gas generating agent that is ignited and burned by the ignition device to generate a gas for inflating the air bag; and

a filter for cooling the gas,

wherein said filter is the filter for an air bag gas generator according to any one of claims 1 to 10.